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National Intelligence Officers

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2 May 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
FROM: Deputy to the DCI for National Intelligence  
SUBJECT: DCI Meeting with NIOs, 4 May 1977

1. Action Requested: None. To provide background information for your meeting with the NIOs on 4 May 1977.
2. Background: Under the new format for the NIO meetings, we have selected for discussion the key findings and recommendations in the draft report of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, "The National Intelligence Estimates - B Team Episode Concerning Soviet Strategic Capabilities and Objectives." The report finds serious fault with the NIE 11-3/8 series of estimates and the B Team experiment, and makes recommendations for improving the NIE process. Senator Stevenson has requested your comments on the draft report.
3. Recommendation: You may wish to review the Summary and Recommendations of the report before Wednesday's meeting.

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Robert R. Bowie

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Howard Stoertz, Jr.  
National Intelligence Officer  
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NOTES FROM CONVERSATIONS WITH VARIOUS SENATORS, EARLY FEBRUARY 1977

Senator Mathias

1. He started the committee to investigate the CIA. His wife worked at the CIA for eight years under Dulles.
2. Call him for an opportunity to discuss the CIA in general.

Senator Hart

1. Thinks Knoche is good.
2. Is a good history of the CIA in the Church Committee report.
3. Concerned with the relationship of our overseas stations to our embassies - would like to discuss.

Senator Stevenson

More emphasis on economic intelligence and in passing intelligence to other consumers.

Senator Jackson

Wants to know what we do not know about the Soviet Union. (Give him a memo on this.)

Senator Humphrey

1. Keep Inouye cut in. Get his agreement in advance.
2. In general, keep the lines open to the Congress.

*Conversations, Early Feb 77*

Senator Javits

1. You need to dispel the mystery of intelligence.
2. Means educating the Congress and the public to increase their respect for the importance of intelligence.
3. Covert intelligence collection is not a nice task - spying never is - but we must do it with as much decency as we can.
4. In NATO there must be more consultation with our Allies.
5. Intelligence has a marvelous opportunity to:
  - a. tell the story of the Soviets, e.g., the real state of their overall economy.
  - b. things like this can have a greater impact than our policymakers.
  - c. tell the story about the problems of the rest of the world. The rest of the world wants to be like the United States. There is a strong residual respect for us but we don't understand why and how these various peoples want to emulate us.

Senator Biden

1. Concerned about the secrecy - specifically wiretapping and declassification.
2. Concerned about status of the military man - inclined to "drop the bomb" as a solution to problems.
3. Concerned about covert operations on U.S. persons overseas.
4. Wants a signal from me when I think he should go to the President to discuss centralizing control of the Community and more in the hands of the DCI.
5. Meet with Biden and discuss charter situation.